U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number Attorney Docket No. 1322/152 UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION First Inventor Robert J. Delaney TRANSMITTAL Title See 1 in Addendum (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) EV412572766US Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application APPLICATION ELEMENTS Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) Specification [Total Pages Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention Paper - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Statements verifying identity of above copies - Detailed Description **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

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1. METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR DISTRIBUTING APPLICATION DATA AMONG MULTIPLE PROCESSING MODULES IN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK ELEMENT HAVING A DISTRIBUTED INTERNAL PROCESSING ARCHITECTURE

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